

4. The granting of access to SCI shall be controlled under the strict application of the "need-to-know" principle under procedures prescribed in the several existing authorities which govern access thereto, and in accordance with the personnel security standards and procedures set forth in this Directive.

A TOP SECRET security clearance is a prerequisite for nominees for SCI access.

All persons accountable under the authority of this Directive and given access to information (SCI) containing sources or methods of intelligence shall, as a condition of obtaining access, sign an agreement that they will not disclose that information to persons not authorized to receive it.

Personnel Security Standards

5. Criteria for security approval of an individual on a need-to-know basis for access to SCI are as follows:

a. The individual shall be stable, of excellent character and discretion and of unquestioned loyalty to the United States.

b. Except where there is a compelling need, and a determination has been made by competent authority as described in paragraph 7 below that every reasonable assurance has been obtained that under the circumstances the security risk is negligible:

(1) Both the individual and the members of his or her immediate family shall be U.S. citizens.

(2) The members of the individual's immediate family and persons to whom he is bound by affection or obligation should neither be subject to physical, mental or other forms of duress by a foreign power, nor advocate the use of force or violence to overthrow the Government of the United States or the alteration of the form of Government of the United States by unconstitutional means.

Exceptions

7: 6. The exceptions to paragraph 5.b.(1)(2) above may be granted only by the Senior Intelligence Officer (SIO) of the Intelligence Community organization or his designee unless such authority has been specifically delegated to the head of an

office or organization as set forth in inter-departmental agreements. All exceptions granted will be common sense determinations based on all available information, and shall be recorded by the agency making the exception. In those cases in which the individual has lived outside of the United States for a substantial period of his life, a thorough assessment of the adequacy of the investigation in terms of fulfillment of the minimum investigative requirements, and judicious review of the information therein must be made before an exception is considered.

*Any references in this DCID to "immediate family" shall be deemed to include the individual's spouse, parents, brothers, sisters and children. *Any references to "persons to whom the individual is bound by affection or obligation" shall be deemed to include any cohabitant.